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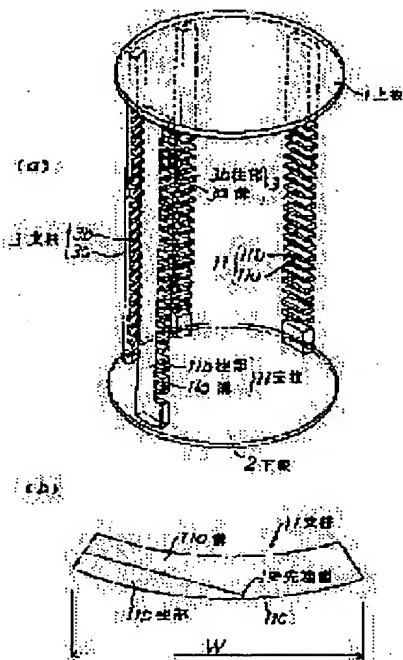
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(54) JIG FOR SEMICONDUCTOR HEAT TREATMENT

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To prevent deformation under high temperature, to have strength corresponding to an automatic carriage system and a large-diameter wafer, and to prevent the generation of slip on the wafer during the heat oxidation and diffusion treatment of the wafer.

SOLUTION: A jig is provided with an upper plate 1, a lower plate 2 and struts 3 and 11 for linking these plates, the wafer is held by a plurality of grooves 3a and 11a provided on the struts 3 and 11 and among the struts 3 and 11, at least the struts 11 for holding both sides are formed wider. Then, the thickness of the wider struts 11 at positions closer to the central parts of pillar parts 11b by 1.0mm from top end faces 11e of the pillar parts 11b is made not thinner than 0.7mm by curving or tilting the top end faces 11e of the pillar parts 11b at an angle more than 45°, notching the sections of pillar parts 11e including the top end faces 11e, or expanding the top end faces 11e of the pillar parts 11b.



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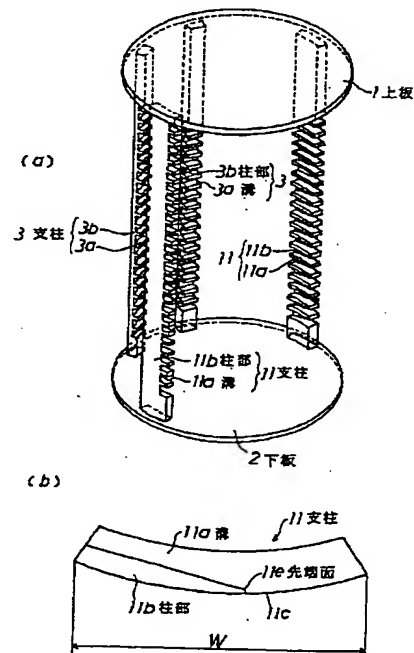
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(54) 【発明の名称】 半導体熱処理用治具

(57) 【要約】

【課題】 高温下で変形することがなく、自動搬送システム及び大口径のウェハーに対応した強度を有し、ウェハーの熱酸化・拡散処理中にウェハーにスリップを生成させない。

【解決手段】 上板1及び下板2とこれらを連結する支柱3、11を備え、支柱3、11に設けた複数の溝3a、11aでウェハーを支持し、かつ、支柱3、11のうち少なくとも両サイドを支持する支柱11を幅とした半導体熱処理用治具において、前記幅の支柱11における柱部11bの先端面11eから1.0mmだけ柱部11bの中央部寄りの位置における厚みを、柱部11bの先端面11eを湾曲状又は45°以上の角度となるようにしたり、また、柱部11bの先端面11eを含む部分を切り欠いたり、また、柱部11bの先端面11eを張り出させたりすることで、0.7mm以上としている。



【特許請求の範囲】

【請求項1】 上板及び下板とこれらを連結する支柱を備え、支柱に設けた複数の溝でウェハを支持し、かつ、支柱のうち少なくとも両サイドを支持する支柱を広幅とした半導体熱処理用治具において、前記広幅の支柱における柱部の端から1.0mmだけ柱部の中央部寄りの位置における厚みを0.7mm以上としたことを特徴とする半導体熱処理用治具。

【請求項2】 広幅の支柱における柱部の端を湾曲状又は45°以上の角度となるようにしたことを特徴とする請求項1記載の半導体熱処理用治具。

【請求項3】 広幅の支柱における柱部の端を含む部分を切り欠いたことを特徴とする請求項1記載の半導体熱処理用治具。

【請求項4】 広幅の支柱における柱部の端を張り出させたことを特徴とする請求項1記載の半導体熱処理用治具。

【発明の詳細な説明】

【0001】

【発明の属する技術分野】本発明は、シリコンウェハの保持治具に係り、特に熱酸化・拡散処理等に使用されるウェハサポート等の炭化珪素質の半導体熱処理用治具に関するものである。

【0002】

【従来の技術】半導体の製造プロセスにおいて、ウェハにドーブした微量不純物を拡散させる工程や、表面に酸化膜を付与する工程では、電気炉内で複数枚のウェハを保持するための半導体熱処理用治具が用いられる。この半導体熱処理用治具は、従来は、図5に示すように、上板1と下板2を4本の支柱3で連結したもので、これら支柱3に刻設された複数の溝3aでウェハを支持する構成である。

【0003】このような半導体熱処理用治具では、ウェハは、支柱3の溝3aに水平に挿入したり、引き出したりするので、治具の前面には支柱3を設置することはできない。従って、図5に示すような、4本の支柱3が全て同じ狭幅の場合には、ウェハを均等に支持することが難しく、また、ウェハ支持部(溝3a)に作用する荷重が大きくなる。なお、図5中の3bは支柱3の柱部を示す。

【0004】近年の半導体プロセスの進歩に伴って、6インチから8インチ、12インチへとウェハの大口径化が進み、ウェハの自重が増大しているにも関わらず、ウェハの厚みはさほど増加しておらず、強度低下の問題が指摘されている。特に、1100℃以上の高温処理においては、このウェハ支持部の荷重のためにウェハの支持部にスリップ(結晶転位による結晶欠陥)が発生し、半導体デバイスの不良の一因となっている。

【0005】一方、スリップを抑制する半導体熱処理用治具として、特開平5-114645号や特開平6-1

63440号のように、ウェハの外周をサポートするリング状等の支持板を用いたものが提案されている。しかし、これらで提案された半導体熱処理用治具では、本来は余分な支持板をウェハと同一枚数必要とするので、治具の重量が増加して熱処理装置の負担が増大するとともに、熱応答性が低下するという問題がある。また、支持板の厚みのために同一寸法の治具でも積載支持が可能なウェハ枚数が減少し、生産性が悪くなるという問題もある。

10 【0006】そこで、両者の問題点を解決可能な半導体熱処理用治具として、図6に示すような、特に両サイドを支持する支柱を広幅にし、ウェハ支持部の荷重を分散させるものが開発され、使用されるようになってきている。

【0007】

【発明が解決しようとする課題】しかしながら、図6に示すような広幅の支柱4を有する半導体熱処理用治具は、図7に示すように、柱部4bの端が極めて鋭い角度となっているので、溝4aを加工する時にこの尖った部分4baがチップング等により欠けたり、熱処理時、支柱4に応力が作用した際に破壊起点となるという問題があった。

【0008】本発明は、上記した従来の問題点に鑑みてなされたものであり、高温下で変形することがなく、自動搬送システム及び大口径のウェハに対応した強度を有し、ウェハの熱酸化・拡散処理中にウェハにスリップを生成することがない半導体熱処理用治具を提供することを目的としている。

【0009】

30 【課題を解決するための手段】上記した目的を達成するために、本発明の半導体熱処理用治具では、少なくとも両サイドを支持する支柱を広幅とした半導体熱処理用治具の、前記広幅の支柱における柱部の端から1.0mmだけ柱部の中央部寄りの位置における厚みを0.7mm以上としているのである。そして、この厚みを確保することで、大口径のウェハに対応した強度を有しつつ、ウェハの熱酸化・拡散処理中にウェハにスリップを生成させることがなく、また、溝加工時にチップング等により柱部の端が欠けることもない。

40 【0010】

【発明の実施の形態】本発明の半導体熱処理用治具は、上板及び下板とこれらを連結する支柱を備え、支柱に設けた複数の溝でウェハを支持し、かつ、支柱のうち少なくとも両サイドを支持する支柱を広幅とした半導体熱処理用治具において、前記広幅の支柱における柱部の端から1.0mmだけ柱部の中央部寄りの位置における厚みを0.7mm以上としているのであり、その具体的手段として、広幅の支柱における柱部の端を湾曲状又は45°以上の角度となるようにしたり、また、広幅の支柱における柱部の端を含む部分を切り欠いたり、また、広

幅の支柱における柱部の端を張り出させたりするのである。

【0011】本発明の半導体熱処理用治具において、「柱部の端から1.0mmだけ柱部の中央部寄りの位置」とは、以下に述べる位置をいう。

① 図2(a)、(c)のように、柱部11bの先端面11eと、この先端面11eの延長線が支柱11の外周面11cと交差する位置11dがほぼ同じ位置の場合には、前記位置11dにおける外周面11cの接線12上の、位置11dから1.0mmだけ柱部11bの中央部寄りの位置をいう。

【0012】② 図2(b)、(d)のように、柱部11bの先端面11eと、この先端面11eの延長線が支柱11の外周面11cと交差する位置11dが異なる場合には、前記先端面11eから外周面11cに下ろす線13を、この線13と外周面11cとの交点14における接線12とのなす角 α と β が同一となるように下ろし、前記交点14における外周面11cの接線12上の、前記交点14から1.0mmだけ柱部11bの中央部寄りの位置をいう。

【0013】③ 図3に示すように、柱部11bの先端面11eが前記した線13と合致する場合には、この先端面11eから1.0mmだけ柱部の中央部寄りの位置をいう。なお、図4に示すように、広幅の支柱11における柱部11bの端を張り出したものでは、前記した①～③のうちの該当する方法によって求めた位置をいう。

【0014】また、本発明の半導体熱処理用治具において、柱部の端から1.0mmだけ柱部の中央部寄りの位置における厚み t を0.7mm以上としているのは、本発明者の実験によれば、0.7mm未満であれば、溝を加工する際のチップングやハンドリング時に柱部の端が欠けるからである。なお、柱部の端が欠けると、その部分を破壊起点として亀裂が進展し、最終的には支柱全体が折れてしまう結果となる。

【0015】溝を加工する際における柱部の欠けを防止する観点からすると、前記した厚み t は大きければ大きいほど良いが、厚み t が大きくなりすぎると支柱ひいては半導体熱処理用治具の重量が増加し、熱処理装置の負担が大きくなったり、熱応答性の低下や熱放射の不均一による温度分布の増大を招くことになる。従って、前記した厚み t は10mm以下とすることが望ましい。

【0016】なお、本発明の半導体熱処理用治具において、広幅の支柱11の幅 W は特に限定されるものではないが、支柱11の幅 W が支持するウェハの直径の1/5未満であると、ウェハの支持が不十分となりウェハの変形やスリップが起こる可能性があるため、1/5以上とすることが望ましい。また、ウェハの直径の1/3を超えると、治具の重量増により熱処理装置の負担が大きくなり、また、熱応答性の低下や熱放射の不均一による温度分布の増大を招くので、1/3以下とするこ

とが望ましい。

【0017】

【実施例】以下、本発明の半導体熱処理用治具を図1～図4に示す実施例に基づいて説明する。図1(a)は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の斜視図、(b)は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の構成部品である広幅の支柱の横断面図、図2(a)～(d)は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の構成部品である広幅の支柱の異なる実施例の要部横断面図、図3は(a)～(d)は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の構成部品である広幅の支柱のさらに異なる実施例の横断面図、図4(a)(b)は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の構成部品である広幅の支柱のさらに異なる実施例の横断面図を示す。

【0018】図1において、1は円形状の上板、2は同じく円形状の下板であり、これら上板1と下板2は一側部が開放されるように例えば4本の支柱によって連結されている。そして、この支柱のうち両サイドには、例えば支持するウェハの直径の1/5以上の幅を有する広幅の支柱11が配置され、中央(奥)には狭幅の支柱3が配置されている。

【0019】前記支柱3、11の内周側には、図1(a)に示すように、高さ方向に多数の溝3a、11aが一定間隔で設けられ、これらの溝3a、11aでウェハをそれぞれ支持するようになっている。

【0020】本発明の半導体熱処理用治具は、上記した広幅の支柱11における柱部11bの端から1.0mmだけ柱部11bの中央部寄りの位置における厚み t を0.7mm以上としているのであり、そのため、図2(a)(b)に示すように、広幅の支柱11における柱部11bの先端面11eを湾曲状にしたり、また、図2(c)(d)に示すように、広幅の支柱11における柱部11bの先端面11eの角度 γ を45°以上とするようにしたり、また、図3に示すように、広幅の支柱11における柱部11bの先端の尖った部分11gを含む部分を切り欠いたり、また、図4に示すように、広幅の支柱11における柱部11bの先端を張り出したりするのである。なお、図4中の11fは張出部を示す。

【0021】ところで、前記した半導体熱処理用治具は、炭化珪素質にて形成されており、例えば上板1、下板2、支柱3及び11をそれぞれ成形した後これらの各部材を用いて半導体熱処理用治具に組み立て、次に、この半導体熱処理用治具の各部材中にSiを含浸反応焼結させる。そして、このようにして各部材中にSiを含浸反応焼結させた後、各支柱3、11の溝3a、11aを加工して製品となす。この溝加工は、支持しようとするウェハと同じ外径の回転刃を用い、支柱3及び11が開放された側から回転刃を水平に挿入したり、また、支持しようとするウェハより小さい外径の回転刃を用い、その軌跡が前記ウェハと同じ外径の回転刃を挿入した時の軌跡と同じになるように水平に挿入することによって

行う。

【0022】次に、上記した本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の効果を確認するために行った実験結果について説明する。実験に用いた半導体熱処理用治具は、全て炭化珪素75重量部、金属シリコン25重量部からなる炭化珪素質材料で製作され、それぞれ支柱に設けた溝に150枚ずつ（上下各20枚はダミー）、8インチのウェハー（厚み700 μ m）を支持させた状態で所定の熱処理（1200℃で2時間加熱：昇温は8℃/分、降温は5℃/分、前半の1時間はO₂、雰囲気、後半の1時間はN₂、雰囲気）を行った。

【0023】実験の結果を下記表1に示す。なお、表1には、従来例として、図5に示す治具と特開平6-163440号で提案された治具を、また比較例として図7に示す広幅の支柱を設置した治具を用いた場合の結果も併せて示している。

【0024】

【表1】

	治具、広幅支柱の形状	t mm	W mm	スリップ
実施例1	図2 (a)	1.5	45	認められず
" 2	図2 (b)	1.5	45	"
" 3	図2 (c)	1.5	45	"
" 4	図2 (d)	1.5	45	"
" 5	図3 (a)	4.0	65	"
" 6	図3 (b)	3.2	60	"
" 7	図3 (c)	2.1	65	"
" 8	図3 (d)	2.8	60	"
" 9	図4 (a)	1.2	60	"
" 10	図4 (b)	1.2	65	"
従来例1	図5	5.0	15	支柱近傍に多数発生
" 2	特開平6-163440号	5.0	15	認められず（注1）
比較例	図7	0.5	65	実験せず（注2）

（奥部に配置した2本の狭幅支柱の幅は全て15mmである。）

注1：重量増により熱応答性が低下するとともに、溝間隔の拡大によりウェハーの支持枚数が低下した。

注2：溝加工時に柱部4bの先端に割れが発生し、実験せず。

【0025】表1より明らかなように、本発明の半導体熱処理用治具を使用した場合には、いずれの場合も、支持した110枚のウェハーは1枚もスリップが認められなかった。一方、従来例1の場合には支持した110枚のウェハーは全て支柱近傍に多数のスリップが発生した。また、従来例2の場合には本発明の半導体熱処理用治具を使用した場合と同様に、支持したウェハーは1枚もスリップが認められなかったが、リング状の支持体を備えているので、重量増により熱応答性が低下するとともに、溝間隔の拡大によりウェハーの支持枚数が本発明の150枚から130枚に低下した。また、比較例1の場合には、溝加工時に柱部4bの先端に割れが発生し、比較例2の場合には、溝加工時に柱部4bの先端に割れは発生しなかったものの、炉内設置時に割れが発生したので、実験を行わなかった。

【0026】

【発明の効果】以上説明したように、本発明の半導体熱処理用治具は、少なくとも両サイドを支持する支柱を広

幅とした半導体熱処理用治具の、前記広幅の支柱における柱部の端から1.0mmだけ柱部の中央部寄りの位置における厚みを0.7mm以上としているので、大口径のウェハーに対応した強度を有しつつ、ウェハーの熱酸化・拡散処理中にウェハーにスリップを生成させることがなく、また、溝加工時にチップング等により柱部の端が欠けることもない。

【図面の簡単な説明】

【図1】（a）は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の斜視図、（b）は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の構成部品である広幅の支柱の横断面図である。

【図2】（a）～（d）は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の構成部品である広幅の支柱の異なる実施例の要部横断面図である。

【図3】（a）～（d）は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の構成部品である広幅の支柱のさらに異なる実施例の横断面図である。

【図4】（a）（b）は本発明の半導体熱処理用治具の

構成部品である広幅の支柱のさらに異なる実施例の横断面図である。

〔図5〕(a)は従来の半導体熱処理用治具の斜視図、
(b)は(a)の横断面図である。

〔図6〕(a)は従来の他の半導体熱処理用治具の斜視図、
(b)は(a)の横断面図である。

〔図7〕図6に示す半導体熱処理用治具の構成部品である広幅の支柱の横断面図である。

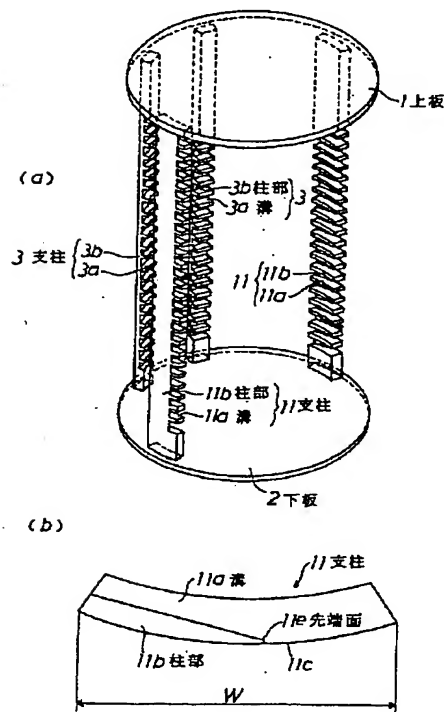
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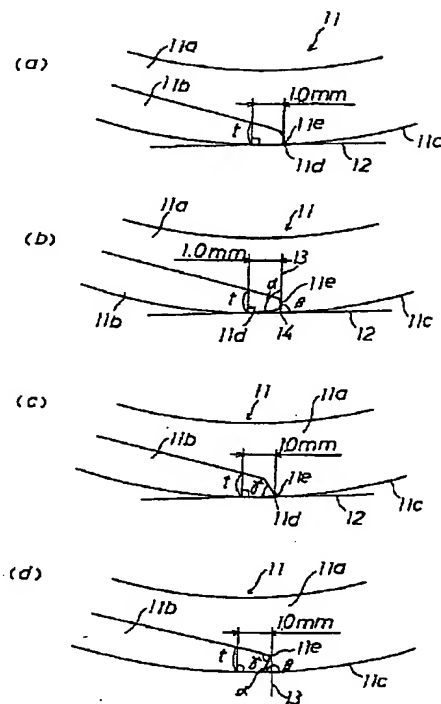
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11f 張出部

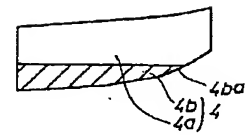
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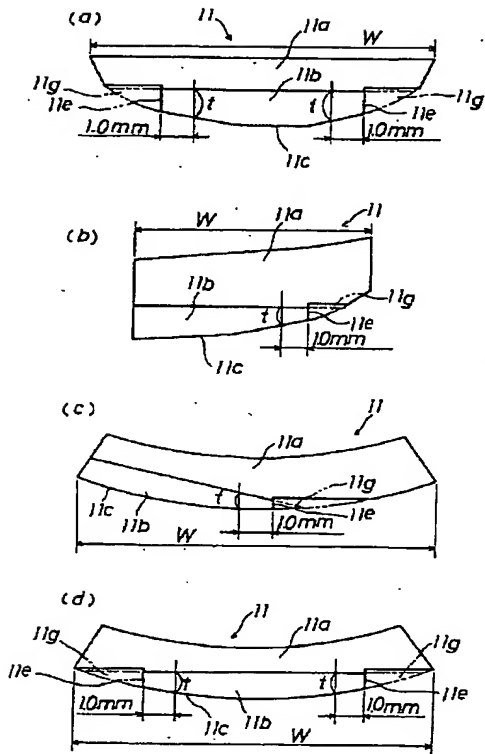
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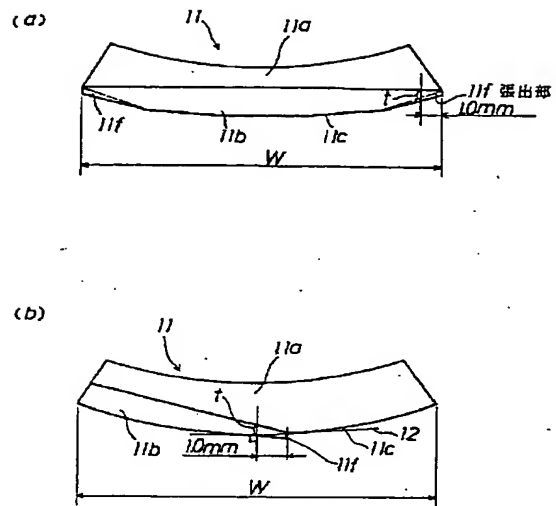
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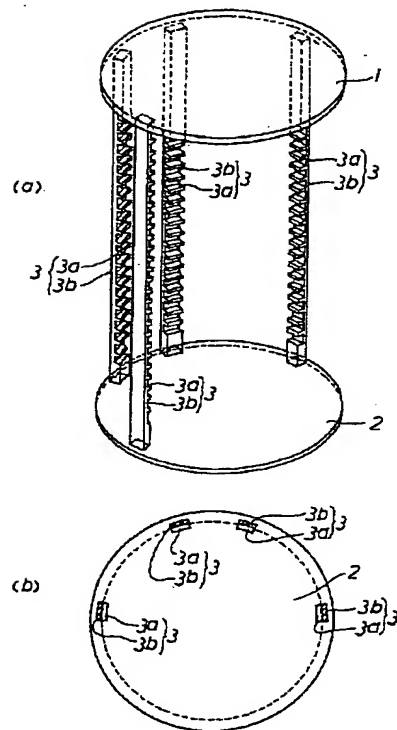
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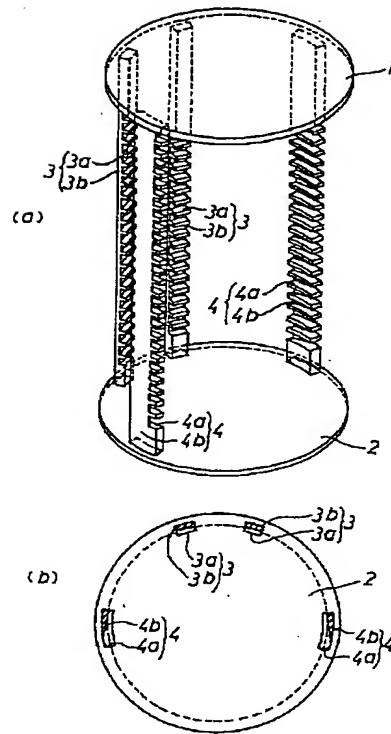
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【図5】



【図6】



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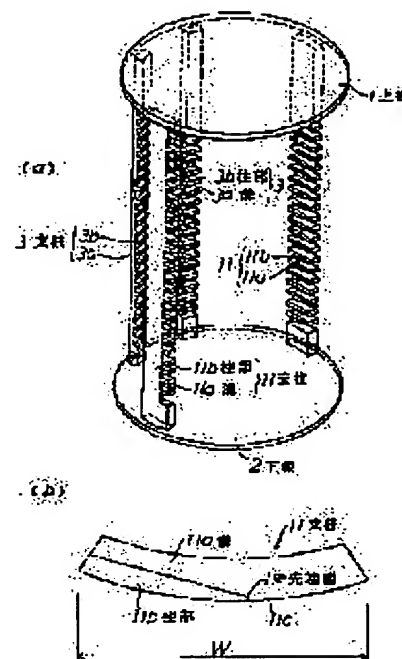
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(54) JIG FOR SEMICONDUCTOR HEAT TREATMENT

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To prevent deformation under high temperature, to have strength corresponding to an automatic carriage system and a large-diameter wafer, and to prevent the generation of slip on the wafer during the heat oxidation and diffusion treatment of the wafer.

SOLUTION: A jig is provided with an upper plate 1, a lower plate 2 and struts 3 and 11 for linking these plates, the wafer is held by a plurality of grooves 3a and 11a provided on the struts 3 and 11 and among the struts 3 and 11, at least the struts 11 for holding both sides are formed wider. Then, the thickness of the wider struts 11 at positions closer to the central parts of pillar parts 11b by 1.0mm from top end faces 11e of the pillar parts 11b is made not thinned than 0.7mm by curving or tilting the top end faces 11e of the pillar parts 11b at an angle more than 45°, notching the sections of pillar parts 11e including the top end faces 11e, or expanding the top end faces 11e of the pillar parts 11b.



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CLAIMS

[Claim(s)]

[Claim 1] The fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment characterized by to set thickness in the location of the center-section approach of a pillar section to 0.7 mm or more only 1.0mm from the edge of the pillar section in said double-width stanchion in the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment which made double width the stanchion which is equipped with the stanchion which connects these with a superior lamella and an inferior lamella, and supports a wafer in two or more slots established in the stanchion, and supports both sides at least among stanchions.

[Claim 2] The fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment according to claim 1 characterized by making the edge of the pillar section in a double-width stanchion become a letter of a curve, or the include angle of 45 degrees or more.

[Claim 3] The fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment according to claim 1 characterized by cutting and lacking a part including the edge of the pillar section in a double-width stanchion.

[Claim 4] The fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment according to claim 1 characterized by making the edge of the pillar section in a double-width stanchion jut out.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[Detailed Description of the Invention]

[0001]

[Field of the Invention] This invention relates to the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of quality of silicon carbide, such as a wafer boat which is applied to the maintenance fixture of a silicon wafer, especially is used for thermal oxidation, diffusion process, etc.

[0002]

[Description of the Prior Art] In the manufacture process of a semi-conductor, the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment for holding two or more wafers within an electric furnace is used at the process which diffuses the minute impurities doped to the wafer, and the process which gives an oxide film to a front face. Conventionally, as shown in drawing 5, this fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment is what connected the superior lamella 1 and the inferior lamella 2 with four stanchions 3, and is a configuration which supports a wafer by two or more slot 3a engraved on these stanchions 3.

[0003] In such a fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment, since a wafer is inserted at a level with slot 3a of a stanchion 3 or is pulled out, it cannot install a stanchion 3 in the front face of a fixture. Therefore, when four stanchions 3 as shown in drawing 5 are narrow-width [same] altogether, it is difficult to support a wafer equally, and the load which acts on a wafer supporter (slot 3a) becomes large. In addition, 3b in drawing 5 shows the pillar section of a stanchion 3.

[0004] Although diameter-ization of macrostomia of a wafer progresses to 8 inches and 12 inches from 6 inches and the self-weight of a wafer is increasing with an advance of a semi-conductor process in recent years, the thickness of a wafer does not increase so much but the problem of a fall on the strength is pointed out. Especially, in high temperature processing 1100 degrees C or more, a slip (crystal defect by the crystal rearrangement) is generated in the supporter of a wafer for the load of this wafer supporter, and it has become the cause of the defect of a semiconductor device.

[0005] On the other hand, the thing using support plates, such as the shape of a ring which supports the periphery of a wafer, is proposed like JP,5-114645,A or JP,6-163440,A as a fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment which controls a slip. However, in the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment proposed by these, since an excessive support plate is same number-of-sheets [as a wafer] needed, while the weight of a fixture increases and the burden of a thermal treatment equipment originally increases, there is a problem that heat responsibility falls. Moreover, for the thickness of a support plate, the wafer number of sheets which the fixture of the same dimension can also loading support decreases, and the problem of worsening also has productivity.

[0006] Then, it considers as the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment which can solve both trouble, the stanchion which supports especially both sides as shown in drawing 6 is made into double width, and what distributes the load of a wafer supporter is developed and used increasingly.

[0007]

[Problem(s) to be Solved by the Invention] However, since the edge of pillar section 4b had become a very sharp include angle as shown in drawing 7, the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment which has the double-width stanchion 4 as shown in drawing 6 had the problem that a destructive origin came, when this sharp partial 4ba was missing with a chipping etc. when processing slot 4a, or stress acted on a stanchion 4 at the time of heat treatment.

[0008] This invention is made in view of the above-mentioned conventional trouble, does not deform under an elevated temperature, has the reinforcement corresponding to the wafer of an automatic material handling system and the diameter of macrostomia, and aims at offering the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment which does not generate a slip to a wafer during thermal oxidation and diffusion process of a wafer.

[0009]

[Means for Solving the Problem] In order to attain the above-mentioned purpose, in the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention, thickness in the location of the center-section approach of a pillar section is set to 0.7mm or more only 1.0mm from the edge of the pillar section in said double-width stanchion of the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment which made double width the stanchion which supports both sides at least. And having the reinforcement corresponding to the wafer of the diameter of macrostomia, a wafer is not made to generate a slip during thermal oxidation and diffusion process of a wafer, and the edge of a pillar section is not missing by securing this thickness, with a chipping etc. at the time of recessing.

[0010]

[Embodiment of the Invention] In the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment which made double width the stanchion which the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention is equipped with the stanchion which connects these with a superior lamella and an inferior lamella, and supports a wafer in two or more slots established in the stanchion, and supports both sides at least among stanchions Thickness in the location of the center-section approach of a pillar section is set to 0.7mm or more only 1.0mm from the edge of the pillar section in said double-width stanchion. As the concrete means Make the edge of the pillar section in a double-width stanchion become a letter of a curve, or the include angle of 45 degrees or more, a part including the edge of the pillar section in a double-width stanchion is cut and lacked, and the edge of the pillar section in a double-width stanchion is made to jut out.

[0011] In the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention, "only 1.0mm is the location of the center-section approach of a pillar section from the edge of a pillar section" means the location described below.

** As shown in drawing 2 (a) and (c), when the location of 11d where the production of apical surface 11e of pillar section 11b and this apical surface 11e intersects peripheral face 11c of a stanchion 11 is the almost same location, say the location of the center-section approach of pillar section 11b only 1.0mm from the location of 11d on the tangent 12 of peripheral face 11c in said location of 11d.

[0012] ** As shown in drawing 2 (b) and (d), when the locations of 11d where the production of apical surface 11e of pillar section 11b and this apical surface 11e intersects peripheral face 11c of a stanchion 11 differ The line 13 taken down from said apical surface 11e to peripheral face 11c is taken down so that the angles alpha and beta with the tangent 12 in the intersection 14 of this line 13 and peripheral face 11c to make may become the same. The location of the center-section approach of pillar section 11b is said only 1.0mm from said intersection 14 on the tangent 12 of peripheral face 11c in said intersection 14.

[0013] ** As shown in drawing 3, in agreeing with the line 13 which apical surface 11e of pillar section 11b described above, it says the location of the center-section approach of a pillar section only 1.0mm from this apical surface 11e. In addition, as shown in drawing 4, in what jutted out the edge of pillar section 11b in the double-width stanchion 11, the location for which it asked by the approach of corresponding of above mentioned **s - **s is said.

[0014] Moreover, in the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention, thickness t in the location of the center-section approach of a pillar section is set to 0.7mm or more only 1.0mm from the edge of a pillar section because the edge of a pillar section is missing at the time of the chipping and handling at the time of processing a slot according to the experiment of this invention person, if it is less than 0.7mm. In addition, if the edge of a pillar section is missing, a crack will progress by making the part into a destructive origin, and a result into which the whole stanchion finally breaks will be brought.

[0015] Although it is better as thickness t described above, considering the viewpoint which prevents the chip of the pillar section at the time of processing a slot is large, if thickness t becomes large too much, as for stanchion *****, the weight of the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment will increase, and the burden of a thermal treatment equipment becomes large, or will cause the fall of heat responsibility, and increase of the temperature distribution by the ununiformity of thermal radiation. Therefore, as for the above mentioned thickness t, it is desirable to be referred to as 10mm or less.

[0016] In addition, in the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention, although not limited, since supporting [of a wafer] may become being less than [of the diameter of the wafer which the width of face W of a stanchion 11 supports] 1/5 inadequate and deformation and a slip of a wafer may take place, it is desirable [especially the width of face W of the double-width stanchion 11] to carry out to 1/5 or more. Moreover, if it exceeds one third of the diameters of a wafer, since the burden of a thermal treatment equipment will become large by the increase of weight of a fixture and the fall of heat responsibility and increase of the temperature distribution by the ununiformity of thermal radiation will be caused, it is

desirable to carry out to 1/3 or less.

[0017]

[Example] Hereafter, the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention is explained based on the example shown in drawing 1 - drawing 4. The cross-sectional view of a double-width stanchion whose drawing 1 (a) is the perspective view of the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention and whose (b) is the component part of the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention, Drawing 2 (a) The important section cross-sectional view of an example where the double-width stanchions whose - (d) is the component part of the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention differ, The cross-sectional view of an example where, as for drawing 3, the double-width stanchions whose (a) - (d) is the component part of the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention differ further, drawing 4 (a), and (b) show the cross-sectional view of an example where the double-width stanchions which are the component parts of the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention differ further.

[0018] In drawing 1, the superior lamella of a circle configuration and 2 are the same, 1 is the inferior lamella of a circle configuration, and these superior lamellas 1 and an inferior lamella 2 are connected with four stanchions so that one flank may be opened wide. And among this stanchion, in both sides, the double-width stanchion 11 which has 1/5 or more width of face of the diameter of the wafer to support is arranged, and the narrow-width stanchion 3 is arranged in the center (back).

[0019] To the inner circumference side of said stanchions 3 and 11, as shown in drawing 1 (a), many slots 3a and 11a are formed in the height direction at fixed spacing, and a wafer is supported in these slots 3a and 11a, respectively.

[0020] The fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention is setting [therefore] thickness t in the location of the center-section approach of pillar section 11b to 0.7mm or more only 1.0mm from the edge of pillar section 11b in the above-mentioned double-width stanchion 11. As are shown in drawing 2 (a) and (b), and apical surface 11e of pillar section 11b in the double-width stanchion 11 is made into the letter of a curve and shown in drawing 2 (c) and (d) As it is made to become 45 degrees or more and the include angle γ of apical surface 11e of pillar section 11b in the double-width stanchion 11 is shown in drawing 3 It cuts and lacks, and as the part containing 11g of parts into which the tip of pillar section 11b in the double-width stanchion 11 sharpened is shown in drawing 4, the tip of pillar section 11b in the double-width stanchion 11 is jugged out. In addition, 11f in drawing 4 shows the overhang section.

[0021] By the way, after the above mentioned fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment is formed qualitatively of silicon carbide, for example, fabricates a superior lamella 1, an inferior lamella 2, and stanchions 3 and 11, respectively, it is assembled to the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment using these each part material, next it carries out sinking-in reaction sintering of the Si into each part material of this fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment. And after doing in this way and carrying out sinking-in reaction sintering of the Si into each part material, the slots 3a and 11a of each struts 3 and 11 are processed, and it makes with a product. This recessing is performed by inserting horizontally the side by which stanchions 3 and 11 were opened wide to a rotary knife, and inserting horizontally so that it may become the same as a locus when that locus inserts the rotary knife of the same outer diameter as said wafer using the rotary knife of an outer diameter smaller than the wafer which it is going to support using the rotary knife of the same outer diameter as the wafer which it is going to support.

[0022] Next, the experimental result which checks the effectiveness of the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of above-mentioned this invention and which was performed for accumulating is explained. All the fixtures for semi-conductor heat treatment used for the experiment are manufactured with the nature ingredient of silicon carbide which consists of the silicon carbide 75 weight section and the metal silicon 25 weight section. Into the slot established in the stanchion, respectively, every (20 upper and lower sides are dummies each) 150 sheets, Heat treatment (it is 1200 degrees C and, for 1 hour in a part for /and the first half of 5 degree C, 1 hour of O₂ ambient atmosphere and the second half is [a 2 hour heating:temperature up / 8 degree-C a part for /and a temperature fall] N₂ ambient atmosphere) predetermined in the condition of having made the 8 inches wafer (thickness of 700 micrometers) supporting was performed.

[0023] The result of an experiment is shown in the following table 1. In addition, the result at the time of using the fixture which installed the double-width stanchion which shows the fixture shown in drawing 5 and the fixture proposed by JP,6-163440,A to drawing 7 as an example of a comparison as a conventional example again is also collectively shown in Table 1.

[0024]

[Table 1]

	治具、広幅支柱の形状	t mm	W mm	スリップ
実施例 1	図 2 (a)	1. 5	4 5	認められず
" 2	図 2 (b)	1. 5	4 5	"
" 3	図 2 (c)	1. 5	4 5	"
" 4	図 2 (d)	1. 5	4 5	"
" 5	図 3 (a)	4. 0	6 5	"
" 6	図 3 (b)	3. 2	6 0	"
" 7	図 3 (c)	2. 1	6 5	"
" 8	図 3 (d)	2. 8	6 0	"
" 9	図 4 (a)	1. 2	6 0	"
" 10	図 4 (b)	1. 2	6 5	"
従来例 1	図 5	5. 0	1 5	支柱近傍に多数発生
" 2	特開平6-163440号	5. 0	1 5	認められず (注 1)
比較例	図 7	0. 5	6 5	実験せず (注 2)

(All of the width of face of two narrow-width stanchions arranged to the inner are 15mm.)

Notes 1: While heat responsibility fell by the increase of weight, the support number of sheets of a wafer fell by expansion of slot spacing.

Notes 2: At the time of recessing, a crack occurs and does not experiment at the tip of pillar section 4b.

[0025] When the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention was used so that more clearly than Table 1, as for 110 wafers which supported in any case, a slip was not accepted for one sheet, either. On the other hand, in the case of the conventional example 1, much slips generated all of 110 supported wafers near the stanchion. Moreover, although a slip was not accepted for one sheet, either, since the supported wafer was equipped with the ring-like base material, while heat responsibility fell by the increase of weight like the case where the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention is used in the case of the conventional example 2, the support number of sheets of a wafer fell to 130 sheets from 150 sheets of this invention by expansion of slot spacing. Moreover, in the case of the example 1 of a comparison, since the crack occurred at the tip of pillar section 4b at the time of recessing, and the crack occurred at the time of the installation in a furnace although the crack was not generated at the tip of pillar section 4b at the time of recessing when it was the example 2 of a comparison, it did not experiment.

[0026]

[Effect of the Invention] As explained above, the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment of this invention Since thickness in the location of the center-section approach of a pillar section is set to 0.7mm or more only 1.0mm from the edge of the pillar section in said double-width stanchion of the fixture for semi-conductor heat treatment which made double width the stanchion which supports both sides at least Having the reinforcement corresponding to the wafer of the diameter of macrostomia, a wafer is not made to generate a slip during thermal oxidation and diffusion process of a wafer, and the edge of a pillar section is not missing with a chipping etc. at the time of recessing.

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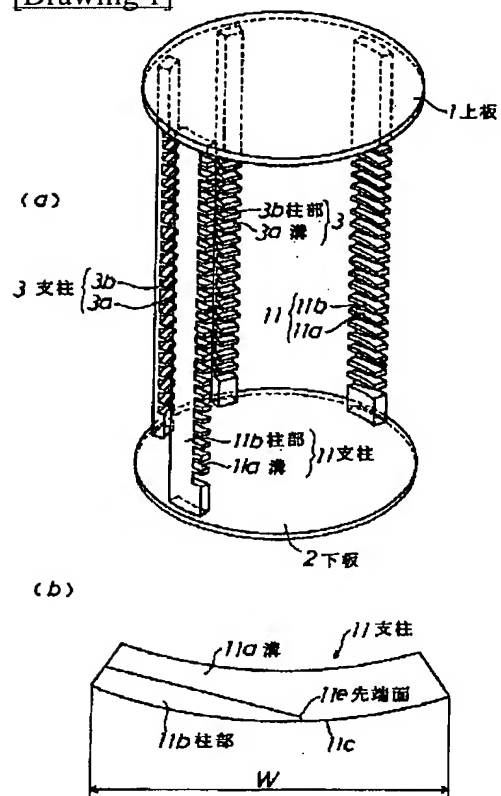
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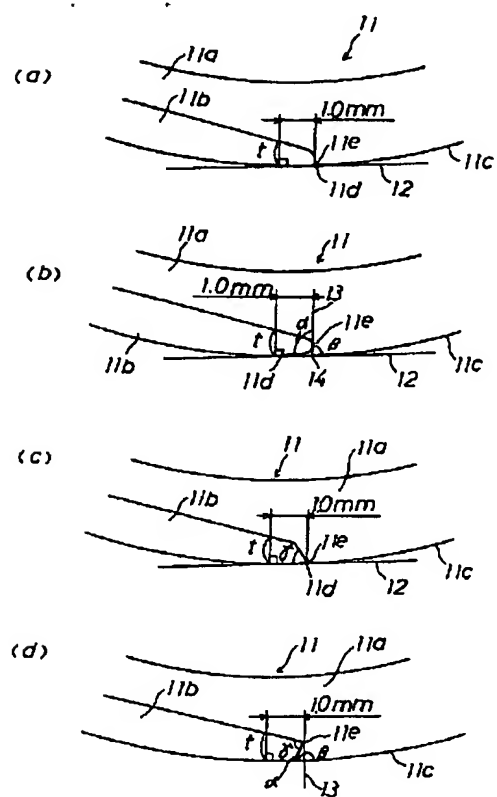
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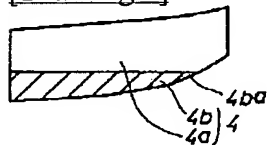
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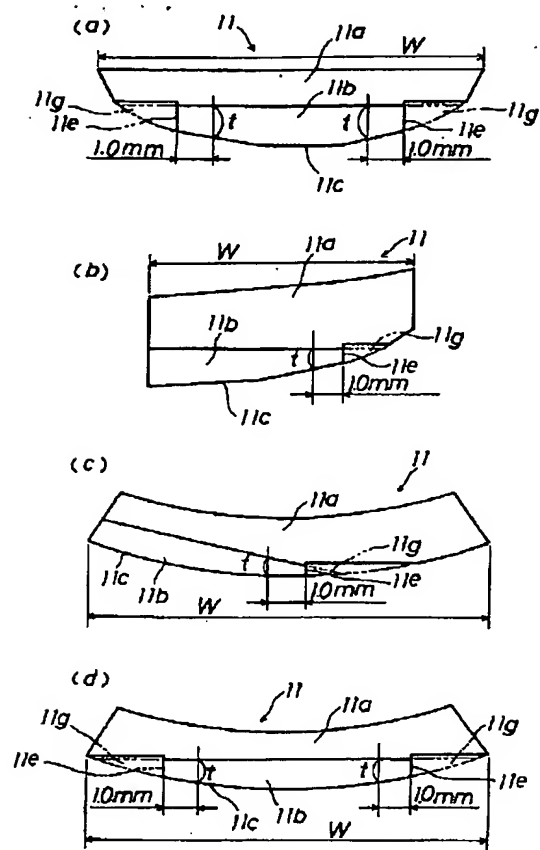
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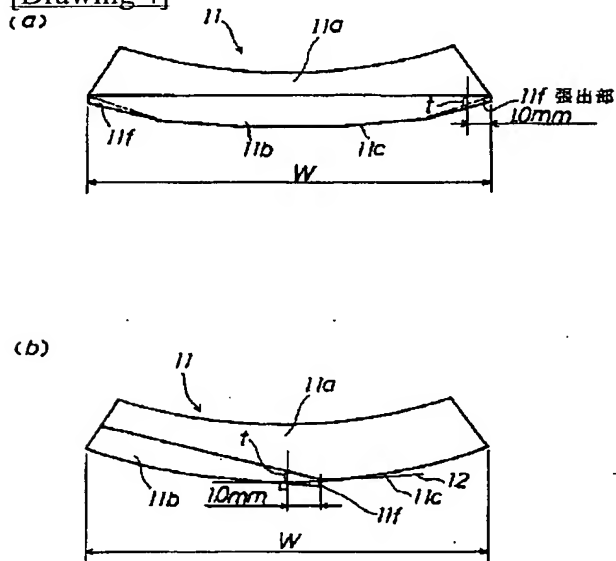
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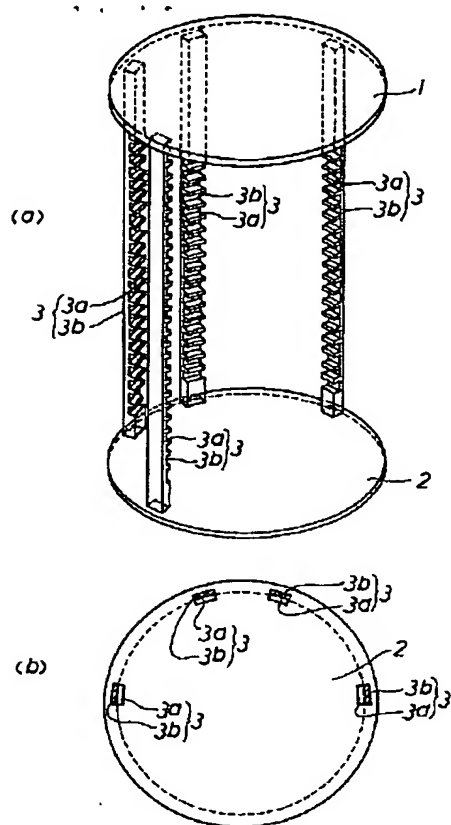
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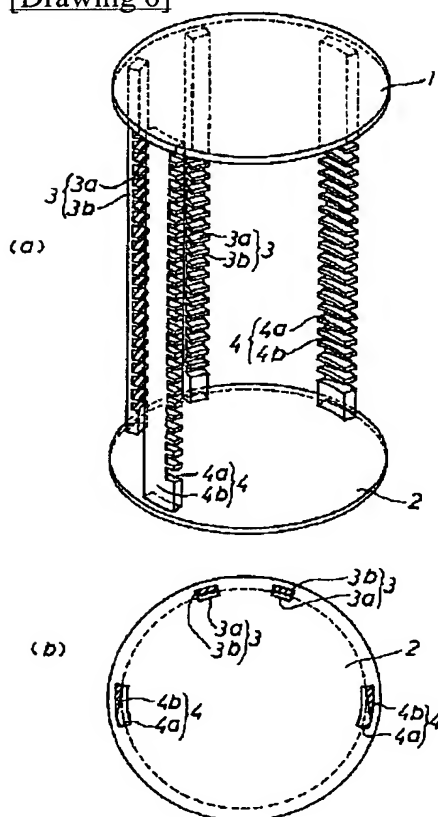
[Drawing 4]



[Drawing 5]



[Drawing 6]



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